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Dear Readers:

By now most of you have had a good month's vacation from school and the editors presume that you have been able to catch up on your comic-book reading. Those who were undecided before may know by now which comic magazine they like best. The editors, of course, hope that your decision will be for BLUE BOLT. However, if you have any ideas for stories that you think should be in BLUE BOLT that are not there now, won't you write and suggest what you have in mind.

Cordially, The Editors

Dear Editors:

My friend and I didn't know how to make a kite until we saw the one in "Edison Bell". We like the useful articles which he tells how to make as well as those advertised on the cover.

One time we had a birthday party and didn't have a game to play, but then a friend said, "Let's read BLUE BOLT", which turned out to be a lot of fun.

Yours truly,

Danny Anderson Elk River, Minnesota

—(The editors like to receive more letters from readers making "Edison Bell" inventions. Please let us know whether or not you want the invention page continued.)

Gentlemen:

I bought my first BLUE BOLT and read the letters on Ye Editors' Page and I disagree with some of them. I think that "The Super Horse" is just as good as can be. I like all the stories in the book, and I think "Edison Bell" is educational.

That idea of a complete "Dick Cole" magazine is a good one. I do not say that BLUE BOLT is the best of all, but it is one of the best.

Yours very truly, Floyd Blake Cape Girardeau, Missouri

—(The editors will not relax until BLUE BOLT is the very best of all, Floyd.)

Dear Sir:

I have read a great many comic books but out of them all I like BLUE BOLT the best because of the interesting stories which it contains. Like a lot of other readers, my favorite character is "Dick Cole". I suggest "Dick Cole" because he is a typical American boy and he always fights on the right side of the law. I also enjoy reading such stories as "Blue Bolt", "The Phantom Sub", "Sub Zero", and "The Twister". I would suggest taking out the comic strip "Krisco and Jasper" because

I think that in such a good book as BLUE BOLT it is out of place. May I extend my congratulations to you on your magazine.

Yours truly, William Everhort Johnstown, Pennsylvania

—(The majority of BLUE BOLT readers feel that a comic strip is necessary for a well rounded magazine, Bill, and since BLUE BOLT is liked because of the variety of its contents, "Krisco and Jasper" would be missed if taken out.)

Dear Editor:

If Dick Cole and Simba were made wonder boys with the same formula, why can Dick beat Simba? And in "Sub Zero" how can a shaft of ice split a sidewalk? But all in all I must admit BLUE BOLT is a fine comic.

> Yours truly, Eddie Terrell Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

—(Answering your questions, Eddie, when two people of equal intelligence and strength engage in a contest wherein one's motives are for good and other's for evil, right will always triumph over wrong. If cold is sufficiently intense, it will shatter almost any object including concrete.)

Dear Editors:

I think "The Twister" is swell. He is something different and new. "Sergeant Spook" is fantasits but he is good.

It would be swell if something would happen to Simba so that he would be for the good, and he and Dick Cole could have a special comic and fight crime together. Yours truly,

Ronald K. Swanson Mitchell, South Dakota

Dick Cole and Simba, you will want to see the next issue of BLUE BOLT.)

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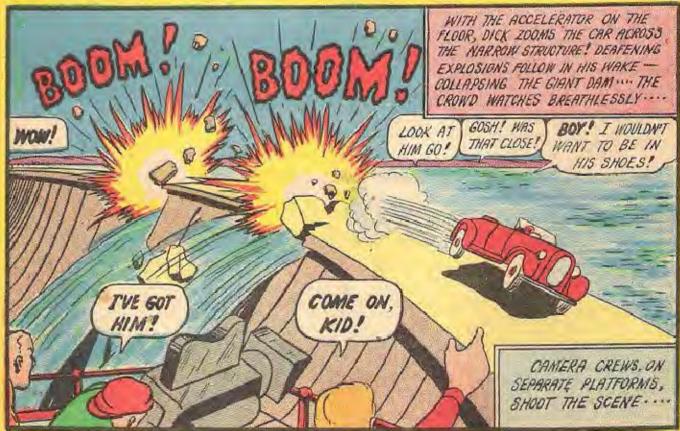


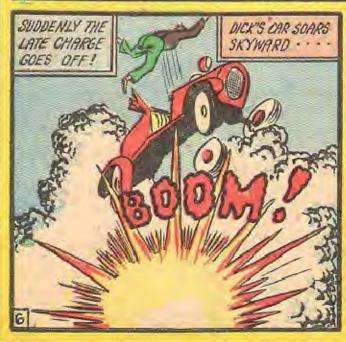


























I GOT A LITTLE PROPOSITION ...































AS DICK AND SIMBA DESCEND TOWARD THE EARTH, THE VIOLENT SOUNDS OF THE SHOOTING ATTRACT THEIR ATTENTION...





MEANWHILE, A FEW MILES AWAY, A STUDIO TRUCK IS



















SERGEANT SPOOK HAS COME
UPON A GHOST CYCLOPS, WHO
IS ON A TOUR OF DESTRUCTION
IN THE MORTAL WORLD. SPOOK
TEMPORARILY BLINDED THE
CYCLOPS WITH A SNOW BALL
AND LEAPED ON HIS FOOT WITH
THE HOPE OF STAYING WITH THE
BRUTE AND SUBDUING HIM WITH
CUNNING LATER ON...







BRUTE IN RAGE BECAUSE HE CAN'T FIND SPOOK STARTS UPROTTEES

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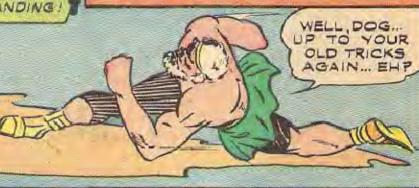




BUTHATT AND CHARSTS OPEN



The evolops drops spook and rushes at hercules for these two have been enemies of long standing!

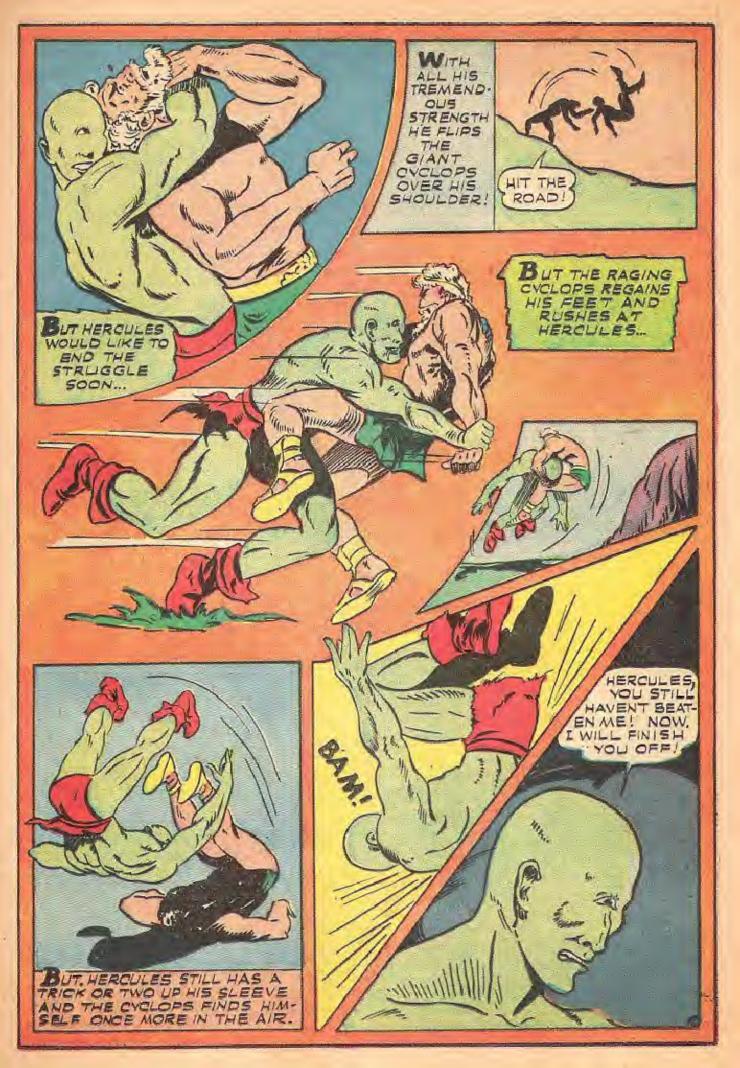






WITH A TERRIFIC CRASH, THE TWO BRUTES CONTINUE THE BATTLE ...

































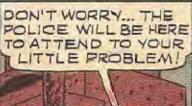




SAY, YOUNG FELLA ... YOU CERTAINLY BLEW US OUT OF A HOLE ... THANKS , PARD!









BY THE WAY SMITH ... WHERE IS YOUR GOLD HIDDEN?



HO!HA! WE TURNED IT ALL IN WHEN THE PRESIDENT CALLED IN THE GOLD A FEW YEARS AGO! PEO-PLE JUST THINK WE STILL HAVE GOLD HID-DEN SOMEWHERE...HA!



SMART BOYS! GUESS YOU WON'T BE BOTH-ERED ANYMORE ...



ANOTHER







THE LIFEBOAT IS SOON

OUR SHIP WAS TORPEDOED BY SUBMARINES TEN DAYS AGO. WE NEED FOOD AND WATER BADLY......COULD YOU GET US INTO A PORT?



YOU'RE TOO MANY FOR US TO CARRY BUT WE CAN TOW YOU TO A SMALL. I SLAND NOT FAR FROM HERE. WE CAN SET YOU UP IN CAMP ON THAT





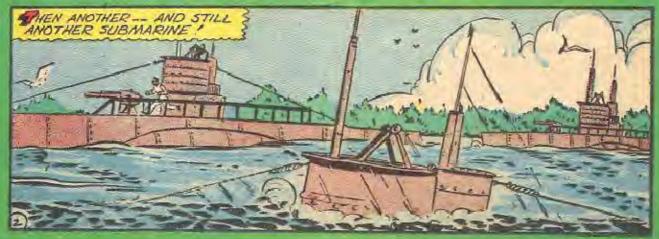






































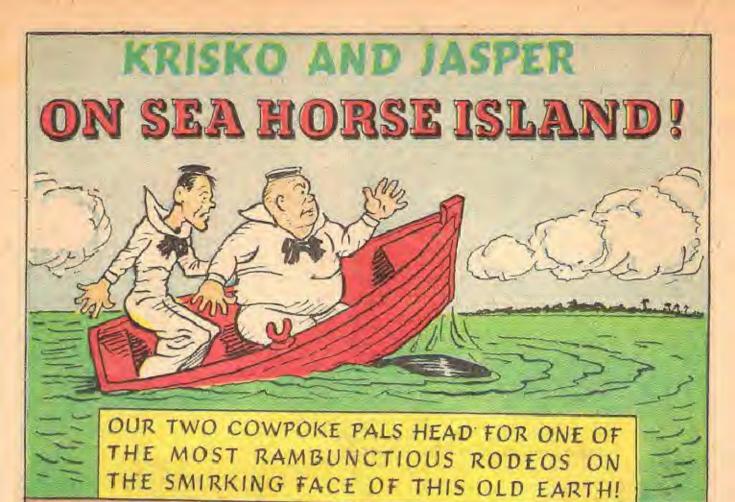












BY RAY GILL

roared the captain of the Calamity Jane, "We're lost at seal" He stared wide-eyed at the compass point as it twisted crazily around and around. "We're either settin' square on the top of the North Pole... or else those two bilge rats, Krisko and Jasper, have thrown another monkey wrench into the works of this here ship again!"

The captain was right! Krisko, in a sincere effort to be of assistance to the radio operator... had wound the radio antenna around and around the bridge—the highest point he could reach on the Calamity Jane, causing an electrical disturbance that sent the compass haywire!

We take you now to the radio room, where Jasper is waiting for Krisko to return. "Hmm..." Jasper fingered the dials of the ship's radio, "it sure does work hetter now...can hear plain as any city radio!"

The radio tune was clear and strong. From the loudspeaker

came: "Where are those two? I'll clamp them in irons till they wither up and blow away!"

"Must be one of those radio stories...it's sure relaxin' to listen..." Suddenly he recognized the voice on the radio—it was the captain's voice — coming, through some queer freak of radio—that can only be discovered by one such as the inimitable Krisko — directly from the bridge!

"I'll hang them from the yard arms..." the radio continued, but Jasper was not there to listen. Like a streak of light he flashed around corners... sped up companionways... finally screeching to a stop directly below Krisko... perched atop the bridge.

Jasper motioned frantically for him to come down . . . but Krisko had no intentions of complying. He had a well-pleased-with-himself smile on his pudgy little mug. He had a pair of ear-phones clamped to the radio antenna he had just put up . . . and was listening, also, to the "radio story"!

"Go 'way, Jasper," Krisko waved his hand in annoyance, "I'm catching up on my literechur... this here story's about two sea goin' cowpokes like you an' me! It would do yer heart good to listen..."

Jasper, trying to motion to Krisko — and at the same time trying to keep out of the sight of the enraged captain—was almost a nervous wreck! "Krisko!" his voice wavered as he spoke, "them two radio cowpokes is us!"

"US?" Krisko laughed — and to prove how silly his partner's statement seemed, he leaned far over the roof ledge of the bridge and peered ... into the captain's broiled countenance. It took our bright young friend only a few seconds to compare the actions and the movements of the captain's lips to the bellowing sounds coming over the radio earphones clamped to the sides of his head.

"VOU!" the voice on the radio screamed — and the long right hand of the captain pointed at him at the same time! This was too much for Krisko. His entire muscular system seemed to relax

under the wilting stare of the ship's commander — and he slid off the roof, snapped upright as the earphones came to the end of their wire, and landed in a ridiculous heap at Jasper's big feet!

Jasper grabbed his collar and dragged him into a life boat hanging high on the side of the ship whipped out his bowie knife, and cut the ropes that held it up! SPLASH! The life boat dropped like a busted elevator and bounced off a big wave like a surf board. In a few minutes

Krisko and Jasper were masters of their own boat—adrift somewhere in one of the seven seas or the five oceans . . . with all the time in the world on their hands!

"Well," Krisko sighed contentedly, as he relaxed against the bow of the boat, "now we can go where we please — and we don't have to take any more orders from that old captain! Where shall we go first, Jasper?"

"Seems like we ain't goin' anywhere . . ." Jasper looked downcast, "exceptin' where the tides want us to go!"

The two, rather dejected cowpokes settled down sadly in their "lifeless-boat" and peered after the Calamity Jane, rapidly disappearing over the horizon!

Aboard the 'Calamity' there was peace and quiet for the first time since the beginning of the voyage, "I'm not wishing them any hard luck," the captain laughed to the first mate, "but here's hoping those two bilge rats find their way to "Sea-horse Island" — it's just the place for a couple of sea-going cowpokes like them!"

The first mate, tough as he was gazed back with a tear in his eye at the speck that was the life boat, and said, "They was always gettin" in my hair—but I loved them just the same somehow I hope they don't find "Sea-horse Island" — but then, I guess they know how to take care of themselves!"

was flopping below the horizon when Krisko saw it. He let out a yelp that made the alleged lifeboat rock to starboard, hurling Jasper off his spidery legs. "L-a-n-d . . . HO!"

Krisko tried hard to look like Balboa discovering the Pacific Ocean. But the effort fell short of its mark, because, if there ever was an unheroic figure, it was Krisko, what with that beanbelly and moon-like face of his.

"You onery, squash-faced butter-ball!" Jasper, disentangling himself from the mess of oars, hard-tack and salt-water puddles on the bottom of the boat, glared at his companion. But Krisko for once — was impervious to Jasper's gentle verbal shafts. The thrill of beholding new and, perhaps, uncharted land was too much for him. Even Jasper stopped spluttering to look.

In the distance, swathed in a blue-green haze, lay a small island. Dusk was falling, lending the dim loom of land an air of mystery and beauty. Tall palms, swaying gently in the wind, were dimly silhouetted against the darkening sky.

"Purty, ain't it?" Krisko, as usual, was the first to speak.

"Hope there's food on the danged place," the practical Jasper said.

Disgust creased his pal's pudgy countenance. "Allus thinkin' of somethin' to eat!" Krisko turned, heaving a sigh that started rocking the boat again. "Ain'tcha got no romance in yer soul? Jes' lookit the place! It's the kinda island you read about in travel books ..."

"SINCE WHEN DID YOU READ?" demanded Jasper.

"Stop breakin' my trend o' thought! ... As I was sayin', that island's got somethin' ... Betcha it's jes' chuckful of bee-utiful dames, waitin' to greet us with flowers and—"

"Your geography's cockeyed!"
Jasper interrupted again. "We ain't nowheres near Hawaii...
Hey!" he added, as a huge wave rose and slapped the boat, splash-

ing his long, homely phiz, "We better stop dreamin' and get to work. C'mon, grab an oar... 'Cause I aim to be on land in two minutes flat and wrap myself around some chow—if they got any!... Hustle, cowboy!"

The two planted themselves side-by-side at the oars and began pulling. "Boy ... oh, boy!" puffed Krisko, "I kin jes' see the place—with a kind of pagoda gleamin'."

"SHUT UP AND ROW!" snapped Jasper.

The water flew in all directions as the whackiest pair that ever sat in one boat at one time rowed toward the island.

"Don't seem as though we got very far," Krisko paused to say, wiping away the sweat that oozed in gobs from his brow.

"If you'd only stop jawin', we'd—" But Jasper never finished the sentence, because suddenly the little boat crashed into something big and gray and hard, something that rose out of the haze and flung the prow upward! Jasper's long body described a graceful arc as it zoomed through the air. Krisko didn't look so graceful, but he traveled just as high and fast. Two splashes, in rapid succession, marked their entry into the drink.

"Glub!" was all Krisko could say when his plump, buoyant body bobbed to the surface. Jasper uttered a similar sound.

"We musta hit a rock!" Krisko gasped, as he got his hands going in a dog-paddle.

"If that's a rock," cried Jasper, his eyes popping, "it's the first time in all my borned days that I ever saw stone move!"

WHAT HIT 'EM? WHERE ARE THEY? WHAT IS "SEA-HORSE ISLAND"?

This thrilling story will be continued in the next issue!











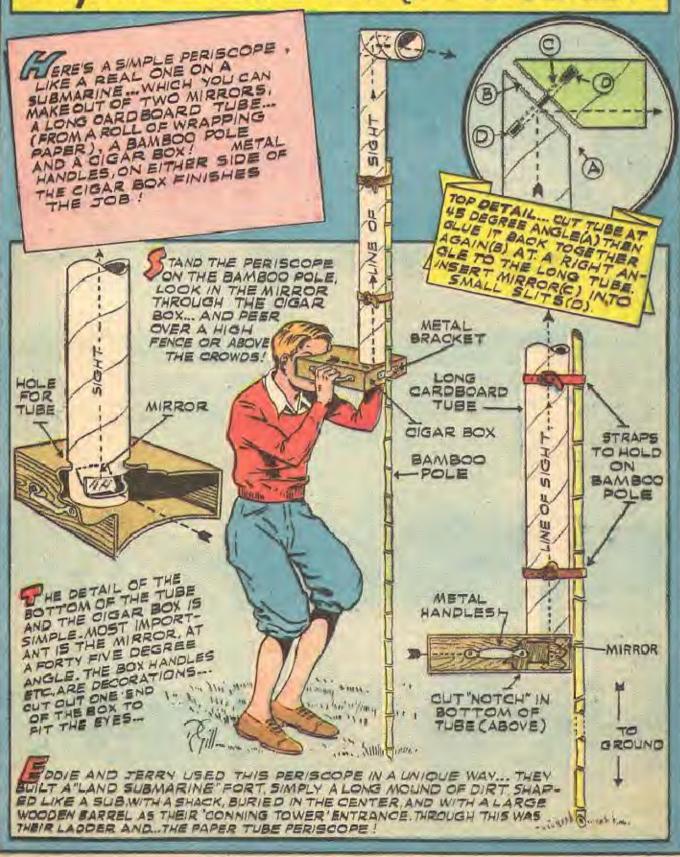


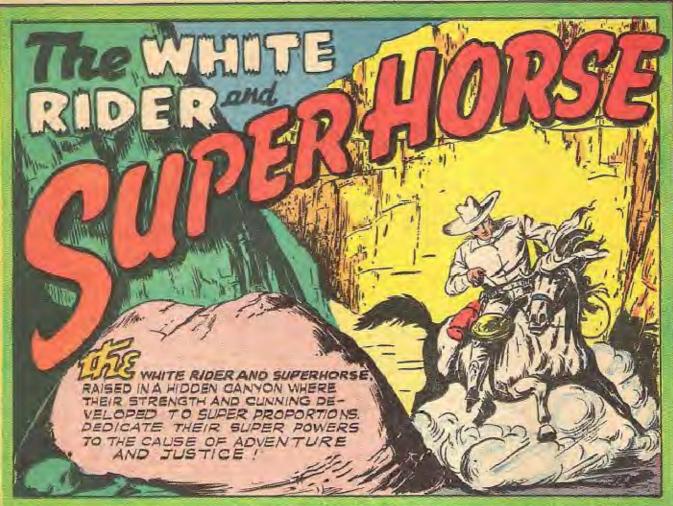


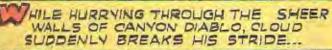
















SUPERHORSE LEAVES THE TRAIL AND GOES TOWARD A NARROW FISSURE.



CRACK IN THE WALL UNLESS SOMETHING WAS WRONG!KEEP ON BOY!



PHEY SOON EMERGE, AND ...











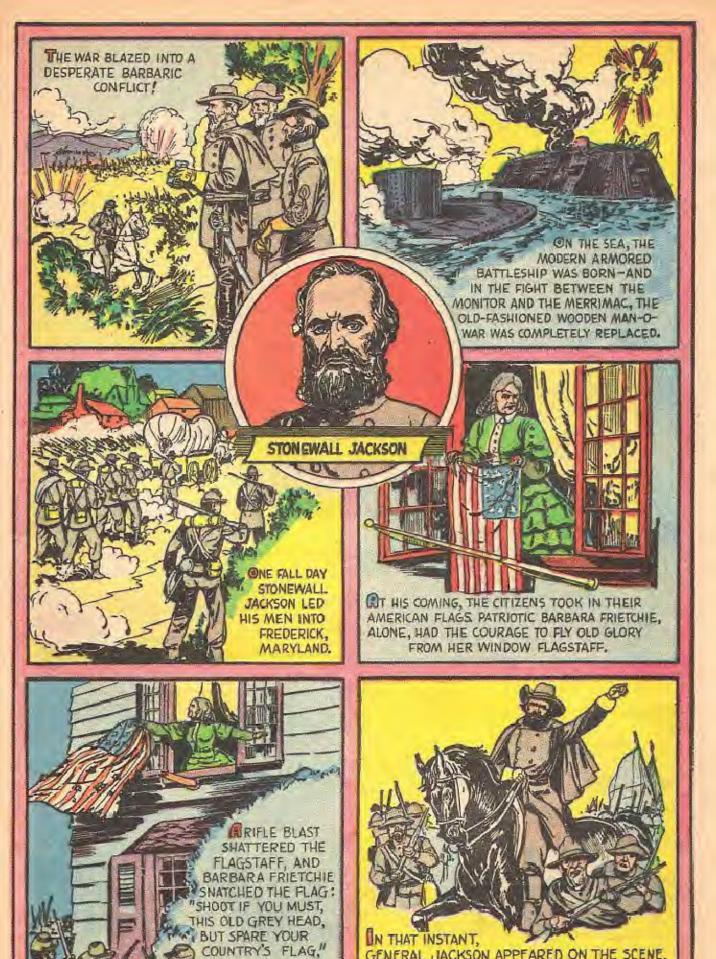




UPERHORSE

CARRIES THE WHITE RIDER





SHE SAID.

GENERAL JACKSON APPEARED ON THE SCENE,

AND REPLIED TO THE WOMAN'S CHALLENGE-"WHO TOUCHES A HAIR ON YON GREY HEAD DIES LIKE A DOG! MARCH ON!"





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BLUE
BOLT
RETURNS
TO
BERTOFF'S
UNDERGROUND
KINGDOM-



MY POWERS CAN HELP AMERICA TO FIGHT THESE SABOTEURS - BUT THEY WON'T ALLOW ME TO EN-TER THE COUNTRY! I CAN'T PROVE IDENTITY!



VES! ONCE AT COLLEGE!

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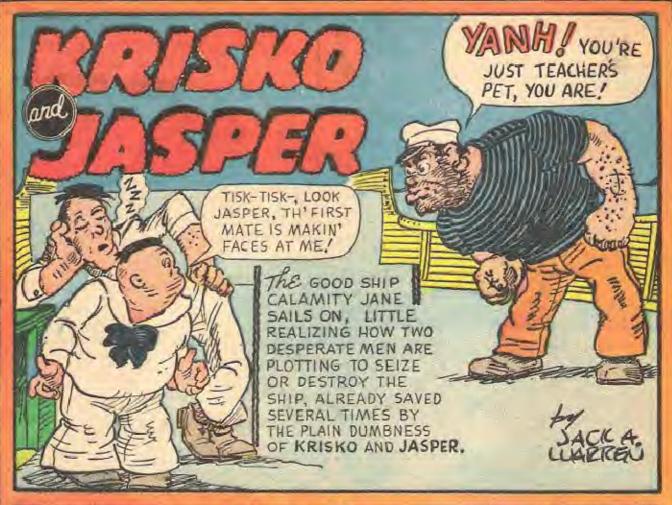
THEN YOU MUST RE-ENTER AMERICA BY SOME WAY AND GET THOSE RECORDS AND SHOW THEM TO THE AUTHOR-ITIES! BUT YOU MUST BE CAREFUL!





















































SO, YOU THOUGHT BECAUSE YOU KNOCKED ME THROUGH THE IRON PLATE SHIP SIDE; THAT I WAS FINISHED, EH! THAT AIN'T NOTHING, TO WAT I'M GOING TO













BOYS, YOU'VE GOT TO GET THE CAP-TAIN OUT O' THIS MESS--- HE'S GONE BATTY. MAYBE IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THIS MAGAZINE, WE'LL FIND THE WAY OUT!---































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